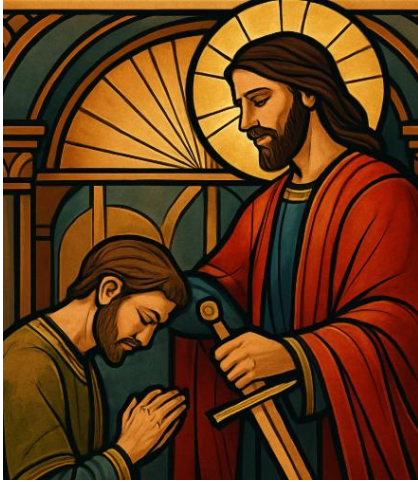




**PARISH OF ST. FELIX,
HAVERHILL**

**TWENTY-FOURTH
SUNDAY
in ORDINARY TIME
Education Day**

Sunday 13th September 2026

Psalter- Week 4

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CHURCH CLEANING TEAMS

Saturday 19th September – Sherly Jose, Molly Shibu, Anu Anto

Saturday 26th September – Jili Jijo, Diony Jose, Bindhu Roy

SUNDAY WELCOMERS/STEWARDS

Sunday 13th September – Pat & PJ Sheehy and Annette Field

Sunday 20th September – Baiju & Sonia Varghese and Ian Blythe

Dear Friends,

This weekend we hear the parable of a servant who owes an enormous debt. There is no way he can repay it. Yet the king is moved with compassion and forgives the entire debt. This is a powerful image of God and of the mercy He shows to each and every one of us.

The surprising part of the story comes when the same servant refuses to forgive a much smaller debt owed to him by a fellow servant. Having received mercy, he then fails to pass it on. The point is clear: those who have experienced God's forgiveness are themselves called to become instruments of forgiveness.

This can be difficult. Sometimes the wounds we carry are deep. Forgiveness does not mean forgetting the hurt or pretending that injustice never happened. Rather, it means choosing not to let anger and resentment control our lives. It means entrusting the situation to God and allowing His grace to heal our hearts.

I was privileged, just over a week ago, to hear Margaret and Barry Mizen give testimony to doing exactly that: choosing not to let anger and resentment control them following the murder of their 16-year-old son, Jimmy, in 2008. They truly forgive but they do not forget the hurt. Margaret said that in forgiving she is able to smile again.

Holding on to bitterness often hurts us more than the person who wronged us. Forgiveness sets us free. It opens the door for God's peace to enter our lives.

Dcn Huw ☺

WELCOMED INTO OUR PARISH FAMILY OF ST FELIX

Last Sunday at our 10 a.m. Mass we welcomed into our Parish Family of St Felix, and to the wider church, **Christiane Ribeiro and Patrick Ribeiro**, who received the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist; **and Robert Burridge** who was received into full communion with the church and received the Sacraments of Confirmation and the Eucharist.

Many congratulations to them and their families and friends.

Please keep them in your prayers.



Living Water

Season of Creation 2026

Immersion in Living Water

EZEKIEL 47:9, 12

The Season of Creation is a time to come together in prayer and action for Creation as we contemplate the 2026 theme of 'Living Water'.

"We confess that we have treated this gift of water as a mere commodity. We have choked the seas with our waste and watched the warming tides rise in judgement. We lament the cracked earth of the drought-stricken and the salty tears of the climate refugee' melt our frozen hearts, O God, and let the waters of repentance flow."

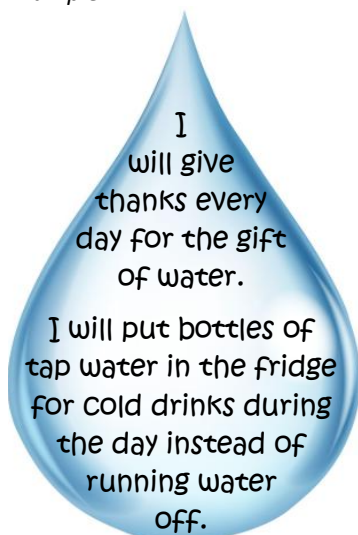
[from the 2026 Season of Creation Prayer]

The gift of living water brings life to dead areas and restores fertility to damaged or barren ecosystems. Through living water comes healing; but in order to receive new life, we too must step into the water and become part of God's river of life, taking part in the healing of creation.

To become part of God's river of life we must cherish, protect and conserve the precious, life-giving water we have been given. There are many actions we can take, to look after the water, so essential for our lives and the whole of Creation. Take the time during this Season of Creation to consider an action that you and/or your household can take to look after our water and use less, an action that can become part of your daily life contributing long-term to 'God's river of life'.

Last weekend at church, you were given a paper waterdrop. Others are still available if you missed it or would like another. Please use the raindrop to record your action, prayer or promise to conserve and heal our water. Bring your waterdrop back to church during this Season of Creation and place it in the font. Together our waterdrops will form a part of God's river of life healing ourselves and Creation.

Example:



*Some thoughts about actions to
conserve water and nature*

***Use water in a bowl when ever you
can instead of letting taps run.***

*Reuse water – after washing/cooking
veg etc use water (cooled) to water
plants indoors and in garden.*

Take shorter showers.

*Use 'eco' settings on washing
machines etc if you have them.*

Fix dripping taps and leaking toilets.

*Only heat as much water as you need
to use at the time.*

***Increase your capacity to collect
rainwater.***

*Consider what can reach water sources from our domestic use – how
do we use fertilizers, do we use eco-friendly cleaning products when
we can, do we avoid grease/oil and left-overs going down our sink
waste pipes?*

ST FELIX WEEKLY PARISH COLLECTION COUNTERS

**Sunday
13th September**

Team 1
CAROL and DAVE

**Sunday
20th September**

Team 4
RACHEL and IAN

***Please swap with another counter if you are unable to count
on your week given on the rota. Thank you***

CHILDREN'S LITURGY



DATE	LEADER	ADULT HELPERS	CHILD Nos.
Sunday 13 th September	ANGELA WILSON	1. 2. 3.	

READERS and EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS			
DATE	1 st READER	2 nd READER	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Saturday 12 th September	LINDA	JO	ANGELA
Sunday 13 th September	ALICE	ALICE	Sign-up sheet in narthex
Saturday 19 th September	ASWIN	ANGELA	ANNE
Sunday 20 th September	MARITA	JENNA	Sign-up sheet in narthex

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PRAYER INTENTIONS

God our Father, we pray for the many people who have asked for our prayers; for their healing and their peace. Hold them, shelter them and keep them in your tender care. Comfort those who grieve and give courage to those who are fearful. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.

- Please pray for people requesting prayers in our 'Intentions Book'. Particularly remember those who are ill or have health concerns.
- Please continue to pray for a just and lasting peace in the Middle East, Ukraine, Sudan and everywhere in the world affected by conflict.
- Pray for people living in any form of poverty.
Remember the work of REACH and everyone associated with it.
- Pray for people and lands devastated by natural disasters and effects of climate change, especially by the floods and mud slides in Nepal and the Tibetan border area. Remember those who have gone to help.
Pray that everyone will do what they can to protect & nurture Creation.
- Pray that all producers of food and commodities receive just treatment and fair recompense for their labour and products.
- Pray that migrants and refugees receive just and compassionate help.
- Pray for prisoners, their families and those who work with them.
Remember especially all those associated with HMP Highpoint.
- Pray for Fr. John, Dcn. Huw, the people of our parish, particularly those in care and nursing homes, and the staff and pupils of St Felix School.

Pray for all the people we know and love who have died.

Remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

**Pauline Rance, Bill Fitzgibbon, George Ashwell,
Keith Buckingham, Ann Walker, John Finlay, Glen Hollingsworth,
Margaret Howlett.**

During Autumn (to the Feast of Christ the King) we are asked to pray for:

The Fruits of Human Work and the Reverent Use of Creation, Students and Teachers, The Spread of the Gospel, Justice and Peace in the World, Prisoners and Their Families, All Victims of War, Young People.

Pope Leo asks us to join him in September in prayer for

The care of water

Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

NEED HELP DURING the ON-GOING COST of LIVING CRISIS?

Please speak to Fr. John or you can contact



Get in touch. Our friendly team of advisers are on hand to help you, so please do get in touch:

0800 009 6710

info@reachhaverhill.org.uk

Contact hours: Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. – 4.30 p.m.



September 2026

Items needed this week:

1. Tinned tomatoes
2. Custard
3. Tinned meat
4. Pasta sauce
5. Rice pudding

Thank you to everyone that supports the foodbank through the donation of food, money or time!



Interested in Becoming a Catholic?

Welcome to St Felix Parish. If you have just moved into the area or have found us for the first time - You are most welcome.

RCIA/Journey of Faith

In our Parish this September we are offering a time of preparation for those seeking to be welcomed as members of the Catholic Church. Our Parish Journey of Faith course follows the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) and is a time of prayer, preparation, celebration and welcome into the Catholic Church. The time of preparation is from September this year to next Easter.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church or would like to find out more about the Church you are invited to join us for our

**Journey of Faith Welcome Evening on
Wednesday 23rd September 2026 at 7.30pm in St Felix Church.**

Please let Fr John know if you are interested in coming along.

If you wish to speak to the parish priest, Fr John, please do not hesitate to call him on 01440 702156 or email him at

john.warrington@rcdea.org.uk

Also, if you would like to help with this program in our Parish in any way, please speak to Fr John. Thank

EXPOSITION and ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT



**FIRST SUNDAY
OF THE MONTH**

4.30 p.m. – 6.30 p.m.

You are invited to come and spend time in prayer with the Blessed Sacrament.

DONA CARD MACHINE PAYMENTS

Just a reminder that you are able to make the following donations to our Parish via our Dona Card Machine in the narthex: **Sunday Collection, Special Collections and Second Collections, CAFOD, 100 Club, Flowers, Candles, Mass Offerings, Donations.**

St Felix Parish Project 2026:



The **Sunflower SEND Hub** is a local charity based in Queen Street, Haverhill. It offers support services tailored to meet the needs of local children and young people who have SEND - Special Educational Needs and Disabilities.

The team at the Hub is committed to ensuring that every child receives the support they require in safe, structured environments to enable them to thrive. The Sunflower SEND Hub also provides support and guidance to families; parents and other care givers. (Visit the Sunflower Hub website, <https://www.sunflowersendhub.org> for more information)

Donations from people like us enable the Sunflower Hub to continue their vital work in supporting local families who have children with SEND. By donating to Sunflower SEND Hub, we can directly impact the lives of these children and their families.

A resource that the Hub particularly wishes to purchase for the children and young people who use their service is an interactive touch screen. This technology would benefit children of all ages and abilities supporting communication, education, social and life skills and other activities.



Here's where we can be of help...

...We challenge ourselves to raise £1500 towards the cost of an interactive screen for the Sunflower SEND Hub.

You can donate to this important local service straight away using the Dona Card Machine - 'Sunflower SEND Hub'

Open Morning

Saturday 19th September 2026



**St Benedict's
Catholic School**

*Developing Wisdom, Compassion and Resilience
through Prayer and Work*

Find out more about our wonderful school at our Open Morning for prospective Year 7 students.

10am to 12.30pm on 19th September 2026

For more information about applying for a Year 7 place for September 2027 please visit our website at: www.st-benedicts.suffolk.sch.uk

PLEASE NOTE:

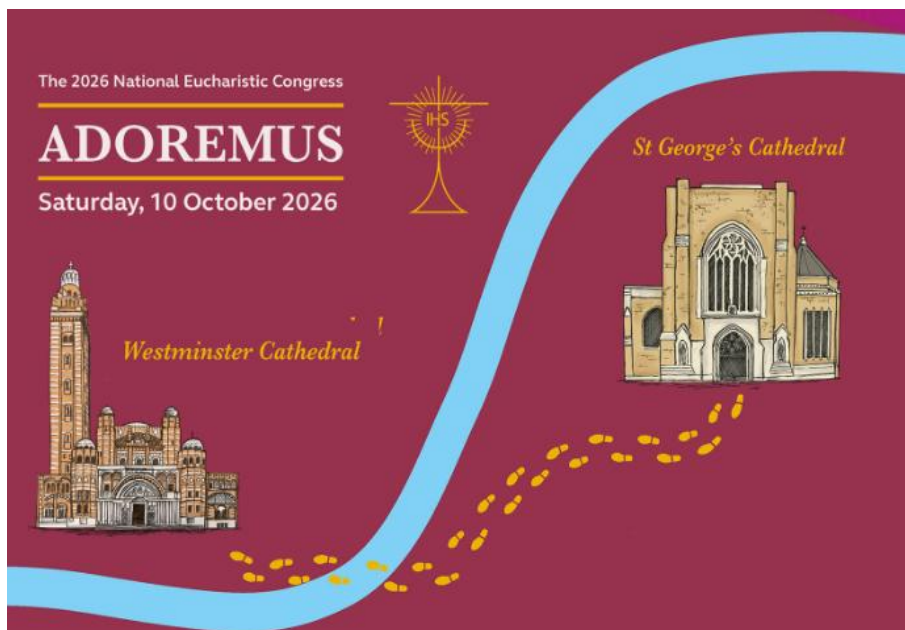
There will be NO 10 a.m. Mass on Tuesday 15th September.

Also as our **Clergy Deanery meeting** takes place on **Thursday 17th September** in Hadleigh there will be NO 10 a.m. Mass on that day as Fr John will be attending the meeting.

Items for the newsletter should be sent to
stfelixhaverhill@rcdea.org.uk
by 12 noon on THURSDAY for inclusion in the next newsletter

ADOREMUS NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

SATURDAY 10TH OCTOBER 2026



The diocese is delighted that fifty places are available for participation in the National Eucharistic Congress in London on Saturday 10th October.

The day begins at midday with Mass in St George's Cathedral, Southwark, followed by a keynote address by Cardinal Timothy Radcliffe. After a picnic lunch, the day will culminate with a historic Eucharistic Procession, through the streets of London, from Southwark to Westminster Cathedral where devotions will continue into the evening.

Those who would like to register interest in participating in this momentous celebration of our faith are asked simply to email the Diocesan Adoremus Representative Fr Peter Wygnanski peter.wygnanski@rcdea.org.uk to receive further information.

(Please note that those taking part will need to arrange their own transport to and from the event.)

THIS WEEKEND WE WELCOME FR. JOHN MORRILL to celebrate our Sunday Masses with us at 6.30 p.m. on Saturday evening and at 10 a.m. on Sunday morning as Fr John is away at a wedding. I am sure you will make Fr John welcome.

Also please note that there will be no 10 a.m weekday Mass on Tuesday 15th September.

ANNUAL MISSION APPEAL 19TH & 20TH SEPTEMBER 2026

Each year we are asked to host an Annual Mission Appeal. This year the Missionary Sisters of England and Wales will be holding an appeal in our Parish. On their behalf we will welcome Sr Mary Sebastian Ogwuike from the Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Mother of Christ over the weekend of 19th & 20th September 2026. To support the poor and marginalized the sisters work in different countries of the world serving the homeless, destitute, vulnerable children and adults, refugees, widows and elderly people.

We look forward to welcoming Sr Mary Sebastian. Please remember her and all in her community and all Missionary Sisters in your prayers. There will be a collection for their work that weekend.

PARISH CENSUS 2026

At the end of September we will be asking you to complete, either an online form, or a form in church, so we can put together an up-to-date data base for our parish. Please be reassured all your data will be kept secure and will be held under our Diocesan GDPR rules and will only be used to enable Fr John and Deacon Huw to exercise their pastoral ministry and care for our parish. More information will be published soon.

TO CONTACT A PRIEST IN AN EMERGENCY...

If Fr John is away from the Parish, please contact either
Bury St Edmunds Parish on 01284 754358.
or Newmarket Parish on 01638 662492
or Clare Parish on 01787 277326
or call 07773 478835.

Thank you.

PARISH FINANCES

Collection for the weekend 5th/6th September 2026

Standing Orders: £421.00
Collection: £746.21
Total: £1167.21

Second collections coming up

19th/20th September – Evangelli Gaudium Sunday
(Home Mission Sunday)

Annual Mission Appeal from the Missionary Sisters of England and Wales

Friday 2nd October – CaFOD Harvest Fast Day

3rd/4th October – Collection to support the CaFOD Harvest Day Appeal

17th/18th - World Mission Sunday (Missio)

A collection will be taken to support the work of Missio.

12th/13th December – Diocesan Dependent Priests Fund

This fund supports our retired priests, those who are ill, and those who are no longer active in ministry.

Please keep them in your prayers, and we give thanks for their years of ministry in our Diocese.

Thank you for your continued generosity to our parish community.

AUGUST 100 CLUB WINNERS



**1st prize £150 -
HUW WILLIAMS [57]**

**2nd prize £100 -
M. J. HATCHELL [70]**

IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDING NOTICE

Please note:

It is a requirement of

**The Catholic Safeguarding
Standards Agency [CSSA],**

which is our church's national
safeguarding organisation,
that children who need to use
the toilet while in church must
always be accompanied by an
adult.

Thank you.

ST FELIX MASSES & MASS INTENTIONS

[Masses celebrated in church are also live-streamed]

The link for our Live-Streamed Masses via our YouTube channel is:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEHq3Ww93rfGfMGzXS25A2w/>

[Sunday readings – Year A, Weekday readings Year II]

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME – Education Day

Saturday 12th September: 6.30 p.m. Mass *People of the Parish*

Sunday 13th September: 10.00 a.m. Mass *In thanksgiving
(Sana – birthday)*

Twenty-fourth week of the Year

Tuesday 15th September: NO MASS TODAY

Wednesday 16th September: 10.00 a.m. Mass *Joe Crowe RIP*

Thursday 17th September: NO MASS TODAY

Friday 18th September: 10.00 a.m. Mass *Souls in Purgatory*

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME - Evangelii Gaudium Day

Saturday 19th September: 6.30 p.m. Mass *People of the Parish*

Sunday 20th September: 10.00 a.m. Mass *Mary George RIP*

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND CONFESSIONS

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions
take place on Saturday evening from 5.45 – 6.15 p.m.**

**If you need to speak with myself or Deacon Huw,
please call me on 01440 702156 or
Deacon Huw on 07399 163718.**

Wishing you and your families every blessing and prayers
Fr John and Deacon Huw